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RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION

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Sir:

This is in response to final Office Action dated September 20, 2006. A Notice of Appeal was filed March 20, 2007. A response was due on May 20, 2007. Filed herewith is a Petition and fee for a five-month extension of time, thereby extending the deadline for response to October 20, 2007. Accordingly, this response is timely filed. Reconsideration and allowance of the pending claims, as amended, in light of the Remarks presented herein are respectfully requested.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 7 of this paper.